



American Rescue Plan Small Business Advisory Commission (SBAC)

Presented by: Veronica Carrillo, Covid-19 Executive Officer
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Presentation Overview

Purpose

American Rescue Plan Act “ARPA”
Background

San Antonio Strategy & Framework

SBAC Role

Next Steps



Purpose of Meetings

- SBAC to provide feedback to City Council on small business priorities that address the negative impacts of COVID-19
 - Engage the San Antonio small business community

What is the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)?

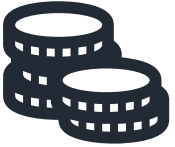
- Passed by Congress in March 2021
- Provides for a strong and equitable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic
- ARPA allocated \$350 billion directly to state and local governments to respond to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic



ARPA – Fiscal Recovery Funds for City of San Antonio

- City of San Antonio will receive \$326.9 Million in two allocations:
 - \$163.45 Million by May 2021
 - \$163.45 Million by May 2022
- Cities must obligate funds by December 2024 and spend by December 2026
- Use of funds follows U.S. Treasury guidelines

Eligible Uses –Local Fiscal Recovery Funds



- **Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss**

- Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic.



- **Support Public Health Response**

- Fund COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff.



- **Address Negative Economic Impacts**

- Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector. Allows premium pay for essential workers.



- **Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure**

- Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and expand broadband access.

City of San Antonio Strategy

Phase I

Stabilize City Budget & immediate community needs (FY2022 Budget)



Phase 2

Leverage Funding & Community Priorities after budget adoption

FOR COVID-19

Use of Fiscal Recovery Funds

	\$ in Millions
City Allocation	\$326.9
Approved in FY 2022 Budget*	97.5
Balance**	\$229.4

* To be used for revenue loss over three fiscal years: 2021, 2022, and 2023
\$46.5 Million in the General Fund and \$51.0 Million in the Hotel Occupancy
Tax Fund

** \$65.95 Million is available and \$163.45 million is expected in May 2022

Strategy Guiding Principles



Proposed Spending Framework \$229.4 Million

COVID-19 Response	Community Needs*	Impactful Investments*
\$50 Million <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vaccinations• Testing• Employee Personal Protective Equipment• Contingency	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Utility Assistance (\$30 Million)• Arts• Small Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mental Health• Domestic Violence• Homelessness• Economic Development• Resiliency Hubs• Infrastructure in Qualified Census Tracts

* Amounts for Community Needs and Impactful Investments will be developed based on City Council and Community Input

Input from City Council Members

October 20 B Session

- Overall support for guiding principles
- City Council discussion on spending priorities:

- Utility assistance
- Small business
- Arts
- Mental health
- Infrastructure (streets, drainage, and parks)
- Broadband/digital divide
- Youth

Prior Investments in Small Businesses



GRANTS
\$45 MILLION



SMALL BUSINESS PPE
\$2 MILLION



**OUTREACH AND
HUB PROGRAM**
\$1.1 MILLION

What Do We Need From SBAC?

- How have small business been impacted by COVID-19
- Small Business needs to succeed post COVID-19
- How can ARPA dollars best serve the Small Business Community
- Priorities will be shared December 9th - B Session



Next Steps



November

Listen to Business
Community
And Develop
Priority List



**December 9
"B" Session**

Advise Council of
Business
Community
Needs & Priorities



**January 13
"A" Session**

City Council
Considers Plan for
Approval



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